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GOVERNOR MATT BLUNT
GOVERNOR'S ORGAN DONATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Letter from the CHAIR

NEW CHAIR WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP REGISTRY AND INCREASE AWARENESS

Dear fellow Missourians...

Since its inception in 1995, the Missouri Organ Donor Program has developed a record of outstanding service of which all Missourians can be proud.

The hallmark of the program is the creation and maintenance of a highly functional donor registry database that has allowed thousands of families of recently deceased individuals to find their loved ones wishes regarding organ and tissue donation. This knowledge has, in turn, saved or enhanced the lives of thousands of Missourians in need of organ or tissue transplants.

The Missouri Department of Revenue has worked tirelessly to provide the opportunity to designate one's wishes at the time of driver's license or vehicle plate renewal, and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services has made the registry a highly functional tool for transplant agencies and donor families.

Over 2.2 million Missourians have already allowed their names to be placed on the Organ Donor Registry, and the number continues to grow. The Advisory Committee is proud to serve as citizen advisors to these two great state agencies. I am honored to follow the distinguished service of previous chairs, Dr. Michael Perry and Lonnie Boyd. Together, we will continue to develop the registry and increase donation awareness, with the goal of saving and improving the lives of even more of our fellow Missourians.

Your support and encouragement are deeply appreciated.

With greatest respect,

Ron Walkenbach, PhD
Chair, Missouri Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee

DHSS Vision

Healthy Missourians for life.

DHSS Mission

To be the leader in promoting, protecting and partnering for health.

Organ Donor Program Mission

Inform Missourians about the importance of and need for organ and tissue donation, maintain a central registry, and reduce the gap between the need and availability for organs and tissues.

The Missouri Organ Donor Registry is Voluntary and Confidential

You do not have to belong to the registry to be an organ donor.

Talking with your family is the best way to express your choice to be a donor. Joining the registry will also help by putting your wishes in writing. For more information or to join the registry, please call 888-497-4564 or visit us online at www.dhss.mo.gov/organdonor.

PROGRAM STATUTES

RSMo 194.297 to 194.304	Creation of the Organ Donor Program and Advisory Committee
RSMo 194.210 to 194.290	Uniform Anatomical Gift Act
RSMo 301.171 & 301.181	Driver's Licensing and Organ Donor Registry Fund
RSMo 301.020	Motor Vehicle Registration and Organ Donor Registry Fund
RSMo 301.3125	Organ Donor Special License Plate

MISSOURI UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT

RSMo 194.220	Persons who may Execute an Anatomical Gift
RSMo 194.230	Persons who may Become Donees
RSMo 194.233	Anatomical Gifts
RSMo 194.240	Methods of Executing Anatomical Gift
RSMo 194.250	Delivery of Document of Gift
RSMo 194.260	Amendment of Revocation of the Gift
RSMo 194.270	Rights and Duties at Death
RSMo 194.280	Uniformity of Interpretation
RSMo 194.304	Registry of Organ Donors

Cover: Beulah Langford, holding a photo of her grandson, Bruce Edward Atkinson, organ donor, with Tommy Warren, kidney recipient. Story on Page 3.

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Letter from the D+SS DIRECTOR

DONATE LIFE MISSOURI APPLIES FOR GRANT TO REDESIGN REGISTRY

Dear fellow Missourians...

On behalf of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, I am pleased to receive and extend to you the 2007 Annual Report of the Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee. The report highlights the generosity of Missourians and the overwhelming need for organ and tissue donors. You will find a heart-felt story of a grandmother who turned tragedy into a gift. Her moving story emphasizes the importance of organ and tissue donation and how the lives of complete strangers can be dramatically changed by a simple and generous act.

The Department of Health and Senior Services continues to be an active participant on the Missouri Donor Designation Collaborative Team, better known as Team Missouri. Since the collaborative began in October 2006, organ donor registry enrollment has increased from 2.1 million to 2.28 million registrants, an 8 percent increase. The Department of Health and Senior Services, on behalf of Team Missouri, the committee, and other partners that comprise the Donate Life Missouri Consortium, applied for a grant to redesign the current registry. The grant will fund such changes as allowing registrants to better define personal donor designations, establishing a personal login and password to modify personal donor designations at any time, and the ability to notify family and friends of the decision to donate. Grant funding will also be used to support modifications that will bring the registry in alignment with the national Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act. The Department of Health and Senior Services will learn in fiscal year 2008 if the grant application will be funded.

I take this opportunity to welcome Committee Chair Dr. Ron Walkenbach. Dr. Walkenbach has been, and continues to be, a strong advocate for organ and tissue donation and serves to help meet the needs of his fellow Missourians. Through his leadership, guidance and actions of the committee, the lives of Missourians will continue to be enhanced. The Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee members and their efforts in promoting the gift of life are humbling.

Thanks to all of the partners in the Donate Life Missouri Consortium for continued support of the Missouri Organ Donor Program.

Sincerely,

Jane Drummond
Director, Department of Health and Senior Services

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Organ Donation Advisory Committee SUMMARY

CHARGE

- Develop organ donor awareness programs to educate the public about the importance of organ donation.
- Recommend priorities in the expenditures from the Organ Donor Fund.
- Submit a report of activities and recommendations to the Governor, General Assembly and director of the Department of Health and Senior Services.

COMMITMENT

- Support the Department of Health and Senior Services in maintaining an effective and efficient donor registry.
- Encourage partnership and collaborate in efforts to provide educational activities at the local and regional levels.
- Review and recommend to the department actions needed to increase donor awareness while maximizing the Organ Donor Fund's limited resources.
- Encourage fund donations to support educational efforts and registry maintenance and enhancements.

MEMBERSHIP

The Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee is a ten-member committee comprised of: four organ procurement agency representatives; four organ recipients, families of organ recipients, organ donors or families of organ donors; one health care representative (hospital); and one Department of Health and Senior Services representative. Each member serves a five-year term. During fiscal year (FY) 06, the terms for all but one member expired. The Governor made the following appointment and reappointments during FY07. Additional committee information can be found at www.dhss.mo.gov/organdonor/Board.html.

Procurement Agency Representatives

Jan Finn, *Midwest Transplant Network*

Jessica Melching, *Mid-America Transplant Services*

Ronald Walkenbach, PhD, *chair, Heartland Lions Eye Bank and cornea recipient*

Vacancy

Hospital Representative

Michael Perry, MD, *kidney recipient*

Donor or Recipient Family Representatives

Lisa Atkins, *living organ donor*

Lisa Britt, DVM, *heart recipient*

Lori Hodges, *donor family*

Peter Nicastro, *double lung and kidney recipient*

Department Committee Liaison

Virginia Beatty, *Organ Donor Program*

Committee Members Appointed and Confirmed in 2007



Virginia Beatty

Virginia Beatty: Ms. Beatty was appointed and confirmed to her first term on the Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee during the 94th General Assembly in February 2007 and has managed the Missouri Organ Donor Program since March 2006.

"I look forward to working with partners to jointly advocate for organ and tissue donation, to increase registry enrollments, and to help people record their wish in the organ donor registry. I'm continually amazed at the generosity of the human race, and what better gift than the gift of life."



Peter Nicastro

Peter Nicastro: Governor Matt Blunt appointed Mr. Nicastro, and the Senate confirmed his appointment during the 94th General Assembly in February 2007.

"I'm very excited to be joining the committee," said Nicastro. "I have cystic fibrosis and received a double lung transplant in 1998. I developed end stage renal disease in 2002 and started dialysis, and received a kidney from my brother-in-law in July 2005."

While waiting for a kidney transplant, Mr. Nicastro married, worked as a chemist for Pfizer, formally known as Monsanto, and attended college at night to receive a master's degree in biology from the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

"I want to apply my experience as an organ recipient and background as a scientist to help promote the need for organ donation and advocate for the needs of patients, donors and their families."

Committee Summary continued on Page 2.

If you could save seven lives just by talking to your family, would you?



Barbara Starr, donor mom and Midwest Transplant Network volunteer, holding a photo of her son, David, organ donor.

BROTHERS SAVE LIVES THROUGH ORGAN DONATION

On January 25, 1991, my life and the lives of all our family were devastated with a parent's worst nightmare. My son, David, the third of four sons, was an engineering student at the University of Missouri, and he was driving to the college bookstore to get a book for one of his classes. On the way, his car was struck broadside, and David received a severe head injury. We were with him at the hospital for 24 hours, loving him, talking to him and trying to help him live. But, after 24 hours, it was determined that he was brain dead. We knew there was nothing else we could ever do for David, but decided to let him become an organ and tissue donor to prevent some other family from going through the agony that we were experiencing.

David's heart went to Salt Lake City and saved the life of a father of four children. He was able to see his children grow to adulthood. In a letter we received from him and his wife, they expressed their gratitude for having his life spared, and then signed it, "Love from all of our hearts and David's heart." It was a wonderful gift to us to

have David's heart sending love home. His eyes gave sight to two people, and his tissues helped as many as 50 people.

Five years after David died, my son, Kit, and I attended the U.S. Transplant Games and were greatly touched by the way the athletes were living their lives so fully and embracing the love of their families. Kit thought to himself that if the opportunity ever arose, he would gladly donate one of his kidneys. That opportunity came in 2003, when one of the Missouri-Kansas (MO-KAN) team members, Scott, rejected his donor kidney. Scott had earned five medals at the previous games, and when Kit learned that he was having such difficulties, he said, "Oh, I can give him one of mine." He was tested two days later, was a match, and became a living donor.

"It was a wonderful gift to us to have David's heart sending love home."

Organ Donation Advisory Committee SUMMARY continued

Committee Members Reappointed and Confirmed in 2007



Lori Hodges

Lori Hodges: Ms. Lori (Clark) Hodges was reappointed to a second term on February 16, 2007.

"It continues to be a privilege to work with others who know the importance of donation. The true heroes are those, like my 18 year old son, Michael, who made the decision to donate and let his family know, and the recipients, who use their healthier lives to offer hope to others! If I can help just one person a day to make the commitment of registering as a potential donor, the gift to his family of knowing his wishes, the gift to the recipients of healthier lives, and the gift to their families of more years of quality life are countless!"



Michael C. Perry, MD

Michael C. Perry, MD: Dr. Perry was reappointed and confirmed for a second term during the 94th General Assembly in 2007. Dr. Perry is a 16-year beneficiary of a cadaveric renal transplant for polycystic disease. He is a practicing specialist in blood and cancer disease at the University of Missouri's Ellis Fischel Cancer Center, where he heads the division. Dr. Perry works with the Polycystic Kidney Foundation as well as the Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee. He was first appointed to the committee in 1996 and served as chair for seven years.

"My transplant has made it possible for me to continue my professional career of treating cancer patients, doing clinical research and teaching. I would not have had the energy to do what I do if I had to live on dialysis. The decision of a family to donate their son's organs has enriched multiple lives. The registry makes that increasingly possible."



Ronald Walkenbach, PhD

Ronald Walkenbach, PhD: Dr. Walkenbach was reappointed to a second term during the 94th General Assembly in 2007. He has received cornea transplants in both eyes and has been executive director of the Heartland Lions Eye Bank for 26 years. Dr. Walkenbach served as vice-chair for several years and was elected chair in May 2007.

"It is very satisfying to be able to use the sight that was given back to me to help more Missourians receive the organs and tissues that they need. The work of the committee is vital to keep this cause at the forefront of Missourians, especially their elected officials."

Reflections from a Grandmother

By Beulah Langford



(l-r) Beulah Langford, donor grandmother, holding a photo of her grandson, Bruce Edward Atkinson, organ donor, with Tommy Warren, kidney recipient.

October 15, 1996, a bullet rang out, changing my family and my day into a nightmare. My grandson, Bruce Edward Atkinson, was shot in the head while working at his job. His life ended, as he died at the scene, and a little part of me died with him. This bullet ended Bruce's life, but started a new beginning in my life and for other families. It's amazing how such a tragedy could produce so much love.

As our family gathered at the hospital around Bruce where the life support was keeping him breathing, our emotions were running high. In the hospital waiting area, anger and hostility filled the room. After talking to the doctors and hearing the explanation of why Bruce was on all those machines, I knew there was no life left in this beautiful person's body. The doctor made the final diagnosis that Bruce was brain dead. After talking at length to the doctor, I realized that this was not like being in a coma. This tragedy had taken Bruce's life.

Surrounded by this darkness, there was an ember of light in the waiting room for me. I needed time alone to think and to pray. We made the final decision to have

Bruce taken off the machines at midnight, a spiritual hour. Two gentle compassionate spirits (procurement transplant coordinators from the Midwest Transplant Network) walked up and stood on each side of me. The coordinators indicated I was the voice or gatekeeper of this family. They began to talk to me about Bruce giving the gift of life. They asked me to think about how Bruce's life could go on in other peoples lives. They explained that people will die this week because they can't get an organ transplant in time and they promised to do everything to help me in making that decision.

I began to ask God to allow me to meet just one person with Bruce's organs. God and all his goodness made this possible. An agent from the Kansas City Star newspaper called and asked me if I would be interested in doing a humanitarian story on Bruce and the gift of life he had given to several people.

This story caught the attention of Tommy Warren and his family. They had been praying to find the people who donated his kidney. After reading the article, he knew in his spirit that he had Bruce's kidney. After putting it together, he was able to give his telephone number to me. I called him and made arrangements for us to meet at my home. It wasn't easy for Tommy, because he felt bad about our loss, but was so grateful for his gift and that he was alive. I assured him that all we wanted was to know that this worked, and to tell him that he was indeed welcome.

I thank God that Bruce's gift of life blessed a 63-year-old mother of four, a 57-year-old wife and mother of two, a 58-year-old father of three, a 44-year old mother of three sons, a 58-year-old husband,

and countless others. At the time, Tommy Warren was 48, a husband and father of four. God chose for me to meet him and let him thank me personally for Bruce's gift of life, and he and his family are now members of our family.

This has truly been the joy in my life and the strength I needed to go on without Bruce in our lives. I know that it was in God's time and his plan to bring completeness to this tragedy and give us extended family members.

Tommy and I are now spokespeople for Midwest Transplant Network and Gift of Life and share our stories in schools and with anyone who will listen. We have been as far as Mississippi to the 1998 Kidney Foundation U.S.



(l-r) Diane Ravis and Kris Drake, donor father, presenting Beulah Langford, donor grandmother, (far right) with the Michael Ravis Volunteer of the Year Award from Gift of Life. Tommy Warren, kidney recipient, also pictured.

Transplant Games. We continue to travel throughout the Kansas City metro area getting the word out about organ and tissue donation.

I always tell people about the need for organ and tissue donation. Many

people are not comfortable making the decision to donate when a loved one has died. That is why those who wish to donate their organs in the event of death should make their wishes known by telling family members to sign the back of their driver's license and register as organ donors.



Sharing the Gift of Life

(l-r) Tommy Warren, kidney recipient, and Beulah Langford, donor grandmother, speaking at a Life Savers event in a Kansas City high school.

Beulah Langford and Tommy Warren met after Tommy received a kidney following the death of her grandson, Bruce.

Throughout Kansas City they have become recognized and respected speakers on behalf of Gift of Life and the Life Savers program as well as Midwest Transplant Institute.

Students are shocked to learn that anything good can come out of the tragedy of street violence. But this dynamic duo are able to stand before any classroom, tell their story, answer their questions and set an example for celebrating the good in life and sharing that gift with others.

Volunteers are **ESSENTIAL**

The Department of Health and Senior Services works with several organizations that help promote Missouri's registry and educate individuals about organ and tissue donation including, but not limited to: Midwest Transplant Network (MTN); Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS); Heartland Lions Eye Banks (HLEB); The Gift of Life Foundation (GOL); Missouri Kidney Program (MKP); and Second Wind of St. Louis. Within each of these organizations, there are many, many volunteers who passionately spread the word and dispel myths about organ and tissue donation. They also inform and encourage registry enrollment. The following department partners have chosen a volunteer to recognize for their efforts during this past state fiscal year. Below are their stories.



Barbara Starr, donor mom and volunteer, holding a photo of her son, David, organ donor.

Starr Family – Touching Countless Lives

For over twelve years, Barbara Starr has been a volunteer for the Midwest Transplant Network, Inc. As a dedicated nurse for over 40 years, Barbara and her family have touched countless lives throughout the years. She volunteers in many roles, including chapter leader for Compassionate Friends and regional leader for Compassionate Friends of Independence, Missouri, in addition to St. Luke's Hospitals Organ Donor

Advisory Committee member and co-chair.

Currently, Ms. Starr is Team MO-KAN's Donor Family representative. She, along with other team members, will coordinate an olympic-style event that is held annually in the United States for anyone with a life saving transplant and the donor families that made those gifts possible. Ms. Barbara Starr has truly been a blessing to all she encounters. Her dedication and service are tremendous. She states, "Being able to be a donor family has enriched our lives immeasurably."

Ray Gabel, MTN Community Education Coordinator



Terri Ristow, cornea recipient and volunteer.

Cornea Recipient Marks Twenty Years of Sight-Saving Service

In 1987, Terri Ristow, of Columbia, Missouri, received the first of two cornea transplants. Terri's journey began in the 1980s when she was diagnosed with keratoconus, a disease that causes the cornea to become cone-shaped and thinner, disrupting the vision function. After her first transplant in 1987, and again after her second transplant in 1991,

Ristow began volunteering as a recipient speaker. She spoke about her experiences as a cornea recipient at Lions clubs throughout Missouri. Ristow also began collecting eyeglasses for recycling with Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation (MLERF). She currently maintains two drop-off sites for eyeglass recycling.

She continues her sight-saving work and has expanded her dedication to eye donation by joining the MLERF staff as a call center coordinator in March 2007. At the call center, Ristow works with hospital staff and families to facilitate the organ and tissue donation process. "It is an interesting experience to be on both sides of the organ donation process," Ristow said.

Kersten Rohrbach, HLEB Public Relations Manager



Andy Heath, living donor and volunteer.

Beyond Volunteerism – The Ultimate Gift

Andy Heath from Lee's Summit, Missouri, is a volunteer for Gift of Life who you should know. He is a stockbroker and the president of the boards for Gift of Life in Kansas City, Medical Missions, and the Kansas City Chorale. Mr. Heath donates his time generously and sets the pace for other volunteers at Gift of Life. But the ultimate gift, and his legacy, is the decision to become a living donor for Mike Gagen, a colleague and friend.

Only professional friends for a year, Andy learned that none of Mike's family qualified as a donor match other than his wife and child. The medical risks of major surgery for both parents were too great, so Andy stepped up to the plate. In the early morning hours of July 21, 2000, the two stockbrokers lay in adjacent operating rooms inside the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Andy was donating 60% of his liver to save Mike's life. "I did this with as much conviction as I have ever done anything in my life," says Heath. "I promise you, right up to the second they put me under, I never had a second thought." Following the surgery, Andy learned the devastating

news. Mr. Gagen's surgery uncovered inoperable cancer that led to his ultimate death in February the following year. But Andy, with the support of his wife Tammy, recovered from the surgery with a new perspective. "I'm not the same man. It's the absolute realization that everything we do— even the smallest thing that nobody notices— is important."

In this story you find the true definition of selfless giving, compassion, and the importance of volunteerism. Mr. Heath could have easily abandoned the transplant community based on the outcome of his colleague, but he chose instead to call Gift of Life and share the life-changing story of donation and caring. People like Andy Heath raise the bar for us all.

Keith Anderson, GOL Executive Director

Volunteers are Essential continued on Page 6.

"Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience and just plain love for one another."

—Erma Bombeck

ORGAN DONOR AWARENESS MONTH

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) promoted organ and tissue donation during National Donate Life Month, April 2007. Initiatives were discussed and approved by the Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee prior to implementation. Program staff created and displayed posters and flyers throughout the DHSS Wildwood Campus. The educational campaign themes were ***If you could save seven lives just by talking to your family would you? It's as Easy as 1-2-3*** and ***Get the Facts***. Educational efforts were conducted year-round by various members of the committee and their partnering organizations.

The following are a few highlights:

Dr. Ron Walkenbach worked with central Missouri **television stations** to highlight David Pekorny's bicycle trip from St. Louis to Pikes Peak. Mr. Pekorny has seven family members afflicted by polycystic kidney disease, including his mother who survives today thanks to a kidney transplant over eight years ago. Mr. Pekorny not only took this trip to do something special with his mother, but to bring attention to the need for organ donors as well as disease research. Mr. Pekorny and his mother completed the trip ahead of schedule and then he ran the Pikes Peak Marathon. Central Missouri television station KMIZ covered Mr. Pekorny's message and trip as he passed through Jefferson City.

Missouri House Representative (D-23) and Minority House Leader Jeff Harris requested assistance in developing **public service announcements** (PSAs) on the importance of organ and tissue donation. The PSA was aired for his constituents and posted on DHSS' organ donor Web site as an educational piece for all Missourians (www.dhss.mo.gov/organdonor/Publications.html). Missouri House Representative (D-83) Jake Zimmerman, also produced a PSA for his constituency. A member of the Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee is working with Representative Zimmerman to add his PSA to the organ donor Web site to further educate and illustrate the importance of organ and tissue donation.

The Heartland Lions Eye Bank and Missouri Organ Donor Program coordinated participation in the Fall Fitness Forum held in Columbia, Missouri, on September 16, 2006. Heartland Lions Eye Bank hosted an **informational booth**, provided free lazy-eye screenings for children and distributed organ and tissue donation materials to parents.

The Missouri Organ Donor Program and Midwest Transplant Network worked together to provide Ms. Carrie Tyler with **Spanish-language** brochures related to organ and tissue donation. Ms. Tyler, who supports organ and tissue donation, is sharing information about donation with her clients. Ms. Tyler is the director of CLARO, a non-profit group that assists the local Hispanic population to understand and work within the American culture.

The Missouri Organ Donor Program provided Deaconess Parish Nurse Ministries with brochures for a **presentation** at the International Parish Nurse Symposium held in St. Louis, Missouri, in the fall of 2006. The presentation's focus was on preparing for the end of life well in advance of illness and/or death. Organ donation and donating the body to science were two of the seven components discussed. To learn more about how the Deaconess Parish Nurse Ministries increases awareness of organ and tissue donation, call 314-918-2559 or Mid-America Transplant Services at 314-995-6149.

Program staff also provided **brochures** to the City of Sugar Creek for the on-going Vial of Life project for seniors within the community. The program kicked off in October 2006 and continues to be supported by the city's fire and police departments. For more information, call 816-252-4400.

A **state employee wellness day** was held in the Truman Building, near the state's Capitol, in late January 2007. State employees were encouraged to participate in screenings and to learn more about a variety of health issues. The Organ Donor Program provided information about organ and tissue donation and registry forms. Employees had the opportunity to confirm, in real time with the use of a laptop computer, their donor designation. A separate laptop computer was available for participants to register on-line through a secure network. Program staff encountered many state employees already enrolled, several who wanted to update their contact information, and several new registry enrollees.

Volunteers are **ESSENTIAL** *continued*

Dillick Family – In Honor of Michael

The Dillick family has actively promoted organ and tissue donation as a special tribute to their son, Michael, since his death in 2005. As a member of a large, but close-knit community of family and friends, Michael was loved and admired by many. While some donor families prefer to keep their loss very private, the Dillick family and friends have found comfort not only in sharing their loss, but also in sharing how Michael passed the Gift of Life to others. The Dillick family looks for ways to promote organ donation and share Michael's story at every opportunity. If you meet a member of the Dillick family for the first time, you'll likely be handed a donor card and encouraged to consider signing it.

Julie, Michael's mom, also included a donor card in each family Christmas card in 2006.

The spectrum of tribute widens with the memorial Web site as well as the special memorial dance and auction where each person attending received a green bracelet, with Michael's name on it, promoting organ and tissue donation.

The Dillick Family knows their message is getting out...and it's working. The mother of Michael's close friend signed her donor

registry card after being impacted by Michael's story and made it clear to her family that she wanted to be a donor. Upon her unexpected death soon after, her husband contacted Mid-America Transplant Services to let them know that she wanted to be a donor.

Ninette Querimit, MTS Corporate Communications Specialist



Above: Front row (l-r) Mary West, Angie Dillick, John Dillick, Julie Dillick, Estelle Beckmann and Karen Beckmann. Back row (l-r) Judy Beckmann, Andy Beckmann, Dan Beckmann, Mary Beckmann, Matt Beckmann and Jenny Beckmann.



Left: Family and friends wearing t-shirts in memory of Michael Dillick, organ donor. Front row (l-r) John Dillick, Jessica Steward and Tina West. Back row (l-r) Julie Dillick and Judy Beckmann.

Educational **INITIATIVES** *continued*

REGISTRY ENHANCEMENTS

The ability for the Department of Revenue's Division of Motor Vehicles and its local contract offices to pull reports via the Internet became operational during FY07. The reports provide a means to look at local, regional and statewide reports in order to track transactions related to registry enrollments and donations. All data is presented in a cumulative format.

WEB SITE ENHANCEMENTS

Missouri Organ Donor Program staff continually review and update the Organ Donor Web site. During FY07, the home page was modified to include links to local, national and international events as well as a donor family recognition programs. The Frequently Asked Questions section was updated and now provides answers to a comprehensive list of commonly asked questions.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Team Missouri is planning activities to be implemented in FY08 and has a goal to increase registry enrollments. The team is working together to focus resources on specific small educational initiatives with the Department of Revenue's Division of Motor Vehicles.

The Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee, Team Missouri, Gift of Life Kansas City, Missouri Kidney Program, and a consultant from Washington University are part of a large group formed in FY07 called Donate Life Missouri Consortium. The consortium is seeking funding to modify the registry to be in line with the national Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, which will give Missourians the ability to modify their registry record at any time through a secure network using individual login names and passwords in order to notify their family and friends of their wish and to better define their designation. In addition, the consortium is seeking funding to support the implementation and study of a pilot education initiative for young people in Kansas City and the surrounding area.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Fiscal Year (FY) Ended June 30, 2007 and 2006

	FY07	FY06
Fund Revenues		
Contributions/Interest		
Department of Revenue contributions	124,896	95,903
Direct contributions*	2,725	1,825
State Employee Charitable Campaign	0	0
Investment interest	322	98
Total revenue	\$127,943	\$97,826
Fund Expenses		
Registry		
Participation	218	3,011
Operations	740	7,818
GODAC Meeting	151	92
Educational initiatives/annual report	4,567	1,458
Evaluation/focus groups	0	0
Personnel services/leave pay	56,205	63,479
Staff benefits (fringe benefits)	25,716	28,415
Administrative overhead		
Indirect costs	20,423	23,750
Network allocation	3,596	2,802
Program supplies and expenses	651	1,896
Total expenses	\$112,267	\$132,721
Beginning Fund Balance	445,665	480,560
Change in Net Assets		
Income	127,943	97,826
Indirect Adjustment	35,283	
Expenditures	(112,267)	(132,721)
Ending Fund Balance	\$496,624	\$445,665

* Organ donor license plate contributions

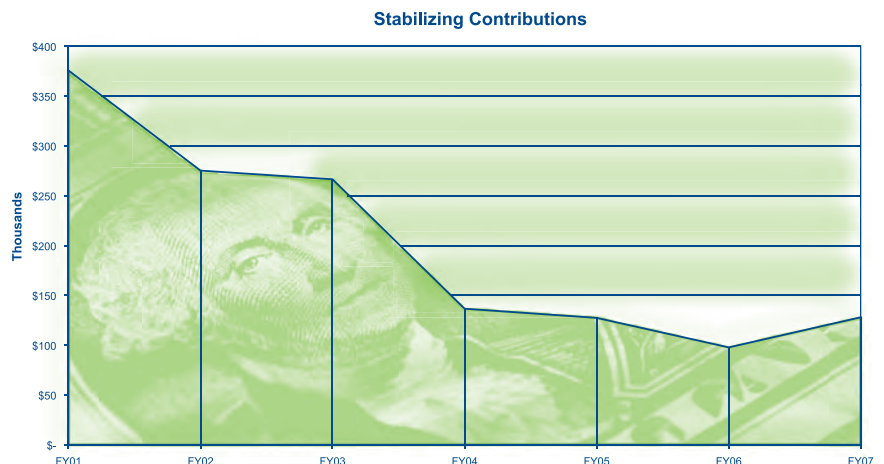
The Organ Donor Program is exclusively supported by voluntary fund contributions

with the majority of contributions being made at the local driver's license and motor vehicle offices (contract fee offices). After six years of declining revenue, the fund saw its first increase in FY07 with contributions totaling \$127,943 or approximately a 30.78% increase over FY06 revenues of \$97,826.

Due to declining contributions in six out of the last seven years, the committee and department reduced spending during FY07 by reducing administrative costs, including staff and travel expenses, to assure that funding is stable and available to maintain the registry. FY07 expenditures reflect a \$20,454 decrease in expenditures or approximately 15.41% when compared to FY06.

Program staff anticipates an increase in expenditures for FY08 due to registry enhancements, increase in educational efforts and adjustments in salary and other related costs. The department will continue to monitor and limit or reduce expenditures in order to maintain a healthy fund balance to secure registry operations for years to come.

The statement of activities presented here is the responsibility of the Department of Health and Senior Services. These financial statements reflect fund activity during Missouri's state fiscal year. Questions should be directed to Office of Finance and Budget Services, Department of Health and Senior Services, P.O. Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570.



Donation and Transplantation in MISSOURI

The United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) is a non-profit, scientific and educational organization* that administers the nation's only Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN). The OPTN collects and manages data about every transplant event occurring in the United States, facilitates the organ matching and placement process, and brings together medical professionals, transplant recipients and donor families to develop organ transplantation policy. UNOS' mission is to advance organ availability and transplantation by uniting and supporting our communities for the benefit of patients through education, technology and policy development.

* UNOS is qualified as a charitable organization under section 501 (c)(3) of the IRC

MISSOURI DATA – DONORS AND WAITING LISTS

Based on OPTN Data as of September 7, 2007*

NUMBER OF REGISTRANTS WAITING

with Missouri as home state **2,316**

CANDIDATE Age at Listing

for the Period of July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

<1	22
1-5	16
6-10	15
11-17	47
18-34	345
35-49	729
50-64	931
65+	211

NUMBER OF DECEASED DONORS RECOVERED

with Missouri as home state **803**

DONOR Age at Listing

for the Period of July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

<1	10
1-5	21
6-10	15
11-17	88
18-34	210
35-49	212
50-64	182
65+	65

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MISSOURI DONORS FLUCTUATE

The number of Missouri residents and their families saying yes to donation has been increasing, while the numbers of actual donors fluctuate. The general health of the donor and the circumstances surrounding death influence the number of lives impacted by organ and tissue donation. While the chart below illustrates a slight decline during FY07 in the number of donors recovered, the overall trend is positive. UNOS reports that 2,316 individuals were registered and waiting for a transplant on June 30, 2007. (UNOS data dated September 7, 2007.)

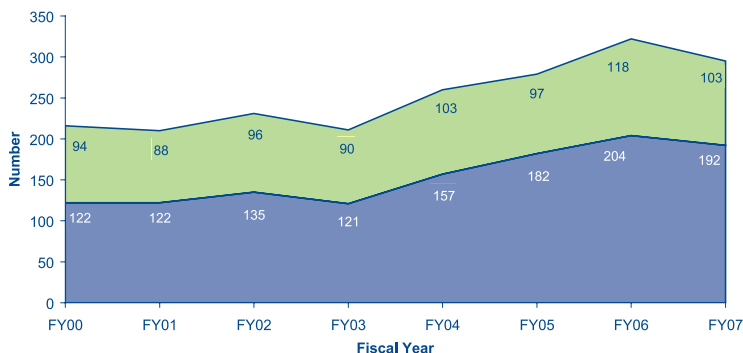
One organ donor can save the lives of up to eight organ recipients and as many as 50 people can benefit from tissue gifts.

Life-saving gifts through organ donation include the kidneys, liver, lungs, heart, pancreas and intestine. Tissue transplants include heart valves, blood vessels, skin, bones, connective tissues and the corneas of the eyes. Even people with chronic health conditions, such as diabetes, high blood pressure and hepatitis, can provide life-saving gifts through organ and tissue transplantation.

The graph below reflects the number of Missouri residents who donated organs (living and upon death) and the number of transplants performed where the recipient state of residency was Missouri. The bar graph clearly illustrates the need for organs continues to increase at a faster rate than donation. The figures in the chart are based on a state fiscal year (July – June).

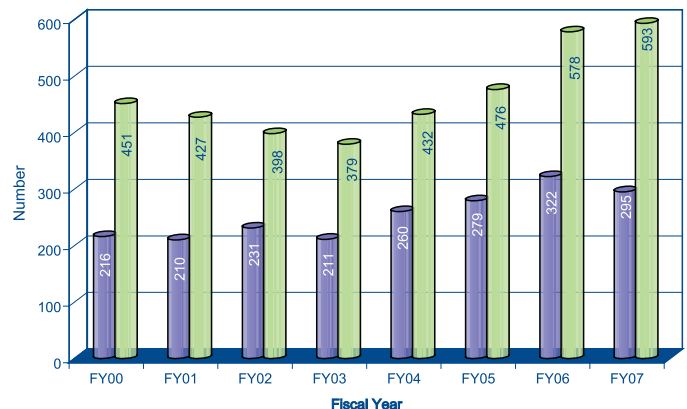
Missouri Donors by Fiscal Year (FY)

■ Deceased Donors ■ Living Donors



Number of Donors Compared to Number of Transplants Performed

■ Missouri Donors ■ Transplants Performed Where Residency was Missouri



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ENROLLMENT CONTINUES TO GROW

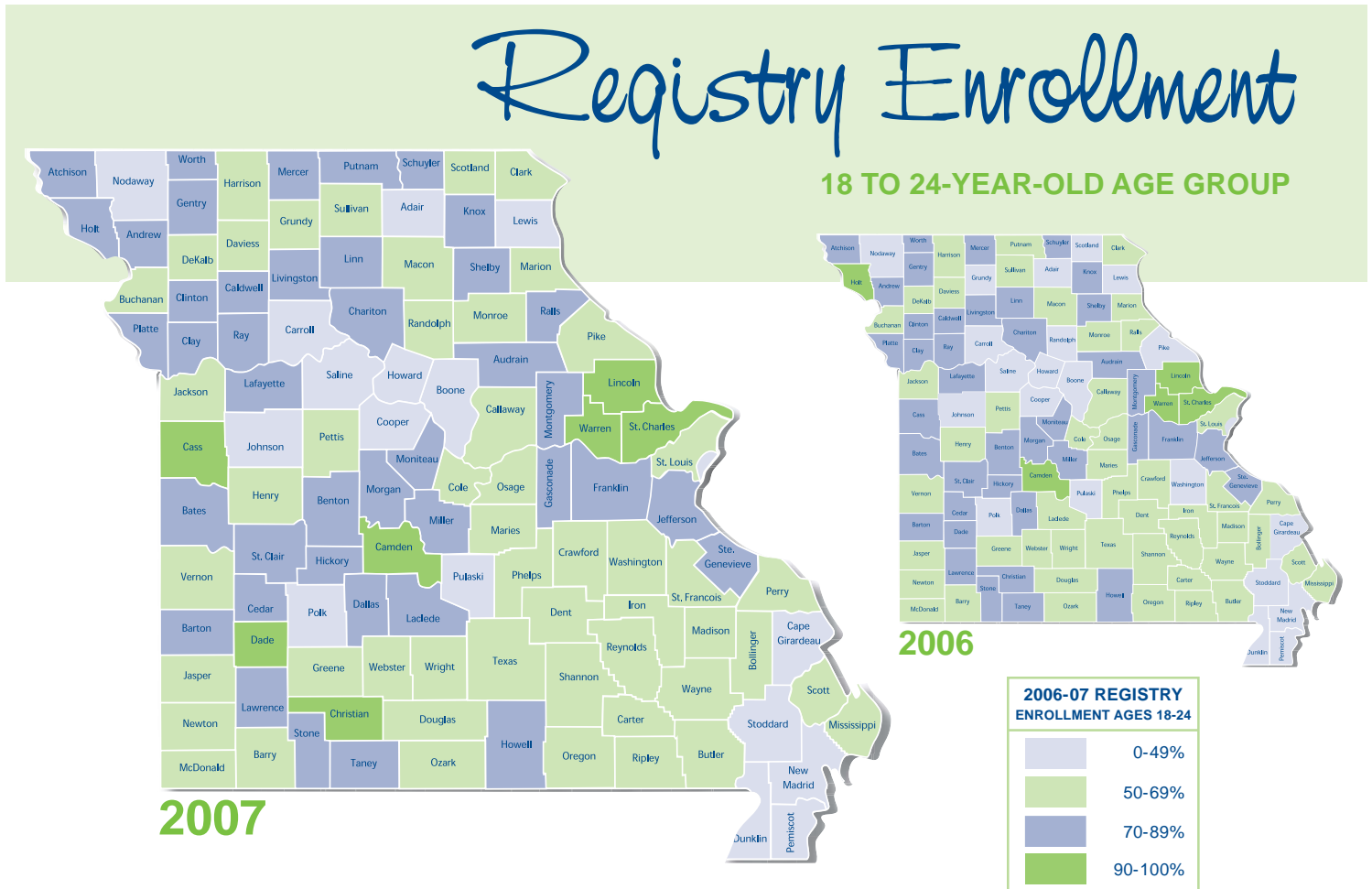
The Missouri Organ Donor Registry participation data is analyzed by program staff and partners and is used as a tool to evaluate education and awareness activities. Staff and partners also target future education activities based on registry data. As educational efforts and awareness among Missouri residents increase, program staff expects to see an increase in percentages and total number of enrollments. Fiscal year (FY) 07 recorded 2.28 million Missourians, of all ages, as currently listed in the confidential registry of potential donors. In addition to registering at any Department of Revenue license office (contract fee office) in the state, on-line enrollment is available and a quick and easy alternative. To register on-line, visit the secure site www.missouriorgandonor.com. A third option is direct enrollment in which an individual prints the enrollment form, completes it, and then submits it to the Department of Health and Senior Services. Individuals who register using the on-line service and direct enrollment methods receive a confirmation letter within 30 days. During FY07, the department recorded new and record updates of the following enrollment activity:

On-Line Enrollment	1,281
Direct Enrollment	3,157
Department of Revenue	497,715

Missouri has recorded its highest level of registry participation to date. FY07 is the second year for the program to collect and report data using the state FY (July – June) time line versus a calendar year. The maps below illustrate the comparison of registry enrollment data between the two FYs. Using 2000 Census and registry data, the FY06 map illustrates that 94 counties have 50-100% of the 18 to 24-year-old age group enrolled in the registry. Of these counties, five are at 90-100% enrollment rate. Using the same parameters, the FY07 map highlights that 96 counties have 50-100% of the 18 to 24-year-old age group enrolled in the registry, and of these counties, seven are at 90-100% enrollment rate. The 2006 and 2007 annual reports are available at www.dhss.mo.gov/organdonor/Publications.html.

The age range of 18 to 64 is used as a primary indicator of registry demographics, since the majority of adults in this age range are licensed drivers and are given the opportunity to participate in the registry when obtaining a license or identification card. Using the 2000 Census data for Missouri, an average of 58% of Missouri residents 18 to 64 years of age were enrolled statewide for FY07.

A complete list of registered adults 18 to 64, enrolled by contract fee offices, is available on Page 10.



Registry PARTICIPATION

ORGAN DONOR REGISTRY ENROLLMENT BY CONTRACT FEE OFFICE*

July 1, 2006 — June 30, 2007

ADAIR Kirkville 29%	DENT Salem 28%	LIVINGSTON Chillicothe 37%	SCHUYLER Lancaster 37%
ANDREW Savannah 40%	DOUGLAS Ava 25%	MACON Macon 14%	SCOTLAND Memphis 26%
ATCHISON Rock Port 37%	DUNKLIN Kennett 28% Malden 16%	MADISON Fredericktown 28%	SCOTT Chaffee 33% Sikeston 21%
AUDRAIN Mexico 39% Vandalia 45%	FRANKLIN Pacific 49% St. Clair 23% Sullivan 28% Union 40% Washington 43%	MARIES Vienna 24%	SHANNON Eminence 21%
BARRY Cassville 29% Monett 35%	GASCONADE Hermann 41% Owensville 23%	MARION Hannibal 31% Palmyra 36%	SHELBY Shelbina 28%
BARTON Lamar 38%	GENTRY Stanberry 36%	MCDONALD Pineville 23%	ST CHARLES Harvester 23% O'Fallon 29% St. Charles 30% Wentzville 50%
BATES Butler 38%	GREENE Glenstone 47% Republic 43% South Fremont 47% Springfield 40%	MERCER Princeton 35%	ST CLAIR Osceola 31%
BENTON Warsaw 38%	GRUNDY Trenton 21%	MILLER Eldon 37%	ST FRANCOIS Bonne Terre 26% Farmington 24%
BOLLINGER Marble Hill 31%	HARRISON Bethany 29%	MISSISSIPPI Charleston 30%	ST LOUIS AAA St. Louis 34% Afton 17% Bridgeton 26% Chesterfield 46% Clayton 51% Creve Coeur 43% Deer Creek 29% Des Peres 55% Ferguson 27% Florissant 19% North County 5% Oakville 11% Olivette 33% Overland 22% South County 61% West County 36%
BOONE Columbia 48%	HENRY Clinton 31%	MONITEAU California 39%	ST LOUIS CITY Northside 3% South Kingshighway 22% St. Louis City Hall 27%
BUCHANAN St. Joseph 37%	HICKORY Hermitage 37%	MONROE Monroe City 40% Paris 8%	STE GENEVIEVE Ste. Genevieve 41%
BUTLER Poplar Bluff 13%	HOLT Mound City 41%	MONTGOMERY Montgomery City 36%	STODDARD Dexter 26%
CALDWELL Kingston 41%	HOWARD Fayette 39%	MORGAN Versailles 31%	STONE Crane 28% Lakeview/Branson West 34%
CALLAWAY Fulton 39%	HOWELL Mountain View 25% West Plains 34% Willow Springs 35%	NEW MADRID New Madrid 22%	SULLIVAN Milan 31%
CAMDEN Camdenton 48%	IRON Ironton 27% Viburnum 27%	NEWTON Neosho 30%	TANEY Branson 34% Forsyth 40%
CAPE GIRARDEAU Cape Girardeau 22% Jackson 19%	JACKSON Blue Springs 25% Grandview 34% Independence 12% Kansas City 27% Lee's Summit 52% Raytown 28% Sugar Creek 33%	NODAWAY Maryville 44%	TEXAS Cabool 72% Houston 25% Licking 32%
CARROLL Carrollton 29%	JASPER Carthage 40% Joplin 40% Sarcovie 23%	OREGON Alton 10% Thayer 22%	VERNON Nevada 30%
CARTER Van Buren 29%	JEFFERSON Arnold 41% De Soto 27% High Ridge 28% Imperial 48% Twin City 20%	OSAGE Linn 35%	WARREN Warrenton 34%
CASS Belton 33% Harrisonville 26%	JOHNSON Warrensburg 43%	OZARK Gainesville 33%	WASHINGTON Potosi 27%
CEDAR Stockton 32%	KNOX Edina 33%	PEMISCOT Caruthersville 18%	WAYNE Greenville 11%
CHARITON Keytesville 34%	LACLEDE Lebanon 34%	PERRY Perryville 28%	WEBSTER Marshfield 28%
CHRISTIAN Nixa 28% Ozark 47%	LAFAYETTE Lexington 29%	PETTIS Sedalia 33%	WORTH Grant City 39%
CLARK Kahoka 34%	LAWRENCE Aurora 33% Mount Vernon 40%	PIKE Bowling Green 31% Louisiana 10%	WRIGHT Hartville 27% Mountain Grove 26%
CLAY Excelsior Springs 34% Gladstone 43% Liberty 53% North Kansas City 28%	LEWIS Monticello 46%	PLATTE Parkville 46% Platte City 49%	
CLINTON Cameron 40% Plattsburg 42%	LINCOLN Elsberry 36% Troy 42%	PLATTE Parkville 46% Platte City 49%	
COLE Jefferson City 40% Jefferson City Mail In 36% Jefferson City Mini Branch 38%	LINN Brookfield 33%	POLK Bolivar 24%	
COOPER Boonville 42%		PULASKI Waynesville 38%	
CRAWFORD Cuba 33% Steelville 33%		PUTNAM Unionville 24%	
DADE Greenfield 84%		RALLS New London 27%	
DALLAS Buffalo 27%		RANDOLPH Moberly 22%	
DAVIESS Gallatin 22%		RAY Richmond 34%	
DEKALB Maysville 39%		REYNOLDS Ellington License Office 22%	
		RIPLEY Doniphan 13%	
		SALINE Marshall 37%	

* Registry participation is based on percent of total transactions responding "yes" to being placed on the registry.

If the fee agent changed during FY07, the percent may be skewed.



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